GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3883
ANSWERED ON:18.04.2000
LIE DETECTING TESTS
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether NHRC has received a number of complaints alleging that the lie detecting tests are being conducted after administering certain drug to the accused during the last three years ;

(b) if so, the details thereof ;

(c) whether NHRC has asked the Government to conduct such tests by an independent agency in the presence of a lawyer ; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken in the matter ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

(SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a)&(b): The National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) has received only one such complaint during the last three years, alleging that the complainant was administered a drug and subjected to Lie Detector Test, without his consent.

(c)&(d): Yes, Sir.
The NHRC has formulated and forwarded the guidelines relating to administration of a Lie Detector Test to the Chief Secretaries and Directors General of Police of all States and Union Territories of India for consideration to conduct such test only after consent of the accused etc.